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1. In its drive for new members among the youth of Bolivia, the Movimiento Nacionalista Revolucionario (MNR) has recently launched a new campaign, the object of which is to recruit young men believed to be sympathetic to the Party and to its activities. During the early part of August 1948, cell leaders were instructed to seek out young men residing on Calle Strongest, La Paz, which is in a most undesirable district. These young men were called on personally by younger brothers and relatives of MNR members and invited to attend an MNR meeting. Pamphlets were also circulated among the prospective members recommending that they attend the gathering. There was no signature on these pamphlets, which merely bore the notation that they were from the Secretary of the Club, and were initialed JMC.
2. The following young men, all relatives of MNR members, solicited the prospective members:

Jorge Tejada, brother of Jaime Tejada who was liaison man for MNR members detained in Guaymaserin, and who collected and dispatched money to these detainees.

Carlos Ponce de Leon, nephew of Lt. Col. Antonio Ponce who was recently discharged from the Bolivian Army because of his connection with a revolutionary plot and for active participation in plans of the Logia Radepe to overthrow the Government:

**Alfonso Altamirano, brother of Oscar Altamirano who was arrested on suspicion of MNR activities and detained in prison for several days: and**

**Juan Ibanez.**

3. According to source, only those young men who have appeared sympathetic to the Party are being approached, and then only after several discreet advances have been made.

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